

PASCNA MINUTES

March 02, 2019

Open Meeting: 3:03pm

Meeting Opened: Tim

Serenity Prayer: ALL

Reading of the 12 Traditions: Roger

Reading of the 12 Concepts: Erika

Roll Call to Establish Quorum: 13 GSRs

General Information:

Please turn cell phones off/vibrate; we also ask that you please respect the business meeting by not texting; if you need to have a side conversation, please leave the room; turn in donations to Treasurer (please do not give more than \$1 change); home group reports may be read during open forum then turned into the Secretary (GSR's and Subcommittee Chairpersons, please try to write as clearly as possible and remember to put reports on full size sheet of paper with your signature); the literature chair cannot accept personal checks on behalf of home group purchases. Please update the meeting list and/or GSR mailing roster as needed--if you are a new GSR please put your contact information Please clean up after yourself--we should leave the church better than we found it.

Some announcements at the request of the church (applies to ALL groups that meet at the church):

- Smoking needs to be limited to the area by the receptacle and away from the entrance. Each group is responsible for cleaning up the butts after meeting
- No firearms (concealed or not)----"GUN FREE ZONE"
- No loitering after the meeting in the parking lot
- Don't park in the middle of the parking lot or block cars in, may impede emergency vehicles if needed
- Children are to be supervised at all times
- There is NOT a public restroom---if random people wander in, we are to ask them to leave (use common sense)
- If there are any changes to the group's contact person, the church needs to be notified
- There will be periodic MANDATORY meetings with the church for ALL groups that use the facility

Welcome New GSRs:

Review and Approve last month's Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes: Iney **Seconded:** Craig

Passed / Passed with Corrections / Failed

ASC REPORTS

ASC Treasurer's Report- The balance forward for February 2019 was \$3989.45 Total March debits equal \$1065.11 and deposits equaled \$1333.15 The forward balance for March 2019 is \$4257.49 Anna H.
SEE ATTACHMENT for detail

RCM Report- don't have one

VRCC Report- at convention

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities- Not at area

H&I- All is well with H&I. Last month I was voted in as Vice Chair; we are asking for sixty dollars; for our workshop for next month; April 7, 2019 @ 2pm. Georgia W.

Area Inventory- See attachment.

Public Relations/Webmaster-

Literature- See attachment.

OLD BUSINESS

POSITIONS

- **RCM:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **Alternate RCM:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **VRCC Alternate:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open
- **Webmaster:** Mike G. voted in as webmaster, Roll call vote – unanimous vote
- **Area Inventory Chair:** no volunteers &/or nominations, position remains open, vote in April
- **Public Relation Chair:** Roger nominated himself.

Discussion:

Dave: Would you represent the group conscience or your own agenda?

Roger: There is a handbook for world services.

Addict: Would You be diplomatic?

Roger: I would like to see day to day matters brought to home groups.

Addict: How would you respond if facility said “no”?

Roger: If we could get a presentation to a school, I think we would be more proactive.

Is it up to PR to wait for facilities to request info? An addict mentioned that being proactive violates the tradition “based on attraction, not promotion”. If you call schools and ask if we can come and give a presentation, that’s promotion.

Addict: Are you willing to wait for people to call you?

Roger: No, I would be proactive. In NA, this is what we do.

Addict: If there were no sub-committee members, how would you go about conducting business?

On our website we have the contact name and number, the issue was never voted on to how the name and number on the website.

On a case by case basis and it’s not in policy, and it’s not a day to day matter, it would be brought to the homegroups to discuss.

Addict: In the PR policy is there a quorum requirement?

Roger: If there is only the PR chair present, it would be brought back to the homegroups.

Addict: You’ve stated, there are some things you would like to do; if they don’t agree, are you willing to take group’s conscience over your own agenda? Are you willing to surrender your opinion to the group’s desire?

Roger: I would bring that to the group area if there were discrepancies.

Addict: Do you understand that the handbook to service is a guide, and that groups have the right to autonomy? Do you understand that area is above region, region is above world – all literature is suggested. Inverse pyramid – addict is at the top.

Roger:

Addict: Are you willing to not conduct business outside of that sub-committee if you disagree with their decision?

Roger: I would feel that it would be something that would need to be brought to area. The group should make the final decision on it.

Addict: Who’s idea was the flyer? I’m on H&I, this wasn’t brought to the committee, not brought to the home group. This is bullying kind of – permission should have been sought, before you commit the action. You brought this up, you made these flyers on your own – before you even brought it to area.

Roger: Last month I mentioned it, so I showed a draft to H&I.

This should have been done at the committee level, but he is able to bring this to area.

Motion 2019-02-01

PASSED

Yes 9 No 0 AB 3

Motion Maker: Public Relations **2nd:** None needed

Motion: Public relations would like to motion that we move forward with the metro meeting list.

Intent: To help the addict who still suffers.

Discussion: We are only talking about whether we are going to use the BMLT system. We are moving forward with using this system only, it does not replace the current list.

Pros: After listening to the presenter, we would have access to information on meetings all over the world. Meeting list would be updated in a timely manner.

Cons: I don’t understand what this means.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion 2019-03-01

Motion maker: Area Inventory Subcommittee – Budget Review **2nd:** None needed

Motion: To make changes on the attached pages to the Financial Guidelines and Budget pages of the PASCNA Handbook.

Intent: The new budget will more quickly fund miscellaneous and more fully fund subcommittees. As this new budget will increase the overall cost to over \$1,000 Prudent Reserve has also been increased to \$1,100.

Discussion: There was a question about starter kits for new home groups. The answer was that literature will provide them – they just need to be regulated.

This will go back to the home groups. We have \$50 for storage; does it need more breathing room? Not discussing the actual numbers. This is another budget review. The current storage budget is at \$50, which covers the \$47 for the storage fee. Based on budget in policy handbook did items go up because costs went up? Response was yes, items went up because of the cost going up, this is getting very closely to what we need.

Pros: It would better serve the area if we're ready to fully fund prudent reserve and other line items that are needed to serve area.

Cons:

Motion 2019-03-02

Motion maker: Area Inventory Subcommittee – Budget Review **2nd:** None needed

Motion: To make budget review semi-annually instead of quarterly. That a budget review will be held in January and July of each year and whenever a majority of GSRs vote to hold a special budget review.

Intent: To allow inventory subcommittee to spend less than 1/3 of its time reviewing and proposing budget changes. To save on cost of an almost continuous update to the budget paper/copies when miscellaneous funds are available and would be available sooner anyway. Budget is stable now so continuous review is time-consuming and unnecessary.

Discussion: Very few changes have been made since last review. If there was ever a need for one, it could be called upon. How was it decided to propose semi-annually? The subcommittee proposed the time frame.

Pros: It would be easier for us to meet if it was semi-annually.
It would save money; clerical money.

Cons: If it's a new money motion, could it be addressed before budget review (motion has clause to address that).

Group Reports:

A Gift Called Life: Our meeting is still going well. David H. will be celebrating 26 years clean 3/3/19 and Leo P. 20 years clean 3/10/19. We have regular attendance at our meetings. We are giving a \$100 donation to area today. Darlene T.

Nature of Recovery: Attendance is steady between 55 and 60 and all is well. We are still sharing the message of hope and the promise of freedom. We will conduct our annual group inventory in March. April 7 Ron L. will celebrate 17 years. Literature: \$51.02, Donations: \$26.98, Total: \$78, Loving service

We Can Change: We continue to carry the message and welcome newcomers. Attendance but donations are nominal. Area donation \$15. Roger R.

Write to Recover: Good afternoon family. Write to Recover continues to meet Sundays from 3:00 to 4:15 pm at Mary Immaculate Hospital's Community and Health Resource Education Center in Newport News. Attendance is nominal and in need of support. It is an excellent space to do steps. We donated \$5 to area for March and we donated \$18.36 to the facility. Craig W.

Change We Must: Still in need of support. James P. celebrates 8 years on 8 March 2019. Darlette A. celebrates 16 years on 12 April 2019. 7th Tradition \$40 - \$15 for rent = \$25, Literature: \$6.94, Area donation: \$18 Danny A.

Surrender to Live: Good afternoon family. Surrender to live homegroup is doing well. We are constantly having members sign up to be a part of the homegroup. We average 55-60 in attendance for the month of Feb. We have a literature order of \$62.10 and donation of \$54.90 In loving service, Raymond R.

Open Forum (30 minutes):

Close Meeting

Please help put chairs away and clean up.